

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	Thomas Hopf, <i>et al.</i>
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Examiner	Vy Q. Bui

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**Response to Final Office Action**

In response to the Final Official Action of March 28, 2007, Applicants herewith present its amendment and remarks. Please amend the claims as detailed below.

Applicant believes that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

A Listing of All Claims Including Current Amendments begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.